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Attorney Docket No. 05058/70001

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re

U.S. application of: Takenori IDEHARA  
For: INPUT-OUTPUT APPARATUS  
SELECTING METHOD FOR NETWORK  
SYSTEM  
U.S. Serial No.: 09/082,127  
Confirmation No.: 2348  
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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), of Application Serial No. 09/082,127, filed on May 20, 1998, by Takenori IDEHARA, entitled INPUT-OUTPUT APPARATUS SELECTING METHOD FOR NETWORK SYSTEM.

A Petition to extend the response period two months to September 26, 2002, is being filed concurrently.

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Please enter the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, which was previously filed on July 30, 2002, but not entered by the Examiner, and wherein claims 19 and 27 incorporate new amendments.

A Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form authorizing the amount of \$1,140.00 (\$740.00 for the filing fee for a Request for Continued Examination (RCE), and \$400.00 for the Petition fee for Two Month Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(2)) to be charged to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260 is enclosed herewith in duplicate. However, if the Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization form is missing, insufficient, or otherwise inadequate, or if a fee, other than the issue fee, is required during the pendency of this application, please charge such fee to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260. Please credit any overpayment to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260.

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